

## **Hospital's New X-Ray Equipment Will Improve Efficiency And Image Quality**

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**PEMBROKE – Over the next several months, new x-ray equipment will be installed in the Pembroke Regional Hospital's Diagnostic Imaging department, bringing with it significant improvements in efficiency and image quality.**

**"Our Diagnostic Imaging department is very excited to be installing the new AGFA DR 600 X-Ray equipment," said Diagnostic Imaging Director Jim Lumsden.**

**"These two new units are state-of-the-art, with excellent image quality, significantly improved ergonomics, and enhanced functionality. This equipment will help us support the hospital's expanding Orthopaedics program, and our ongoing efforts to deliver high quality care close to home for our community."**

**The new equipment, valued at approximately \$850,000 will replace the hospital's two main x-ray machines which, combined, are responsible for about 3,000 images per month, and have been in place since the expanded department was constructed as part of the hospital's redevelopment in 2004.**

**Dr. Fred Matzinger, Chief of Diagnostic Imaging, said the new digital radiography units will provide x-ray images that are of outstanding resolution and image quality. "This will improve our ability to detect subtle abnormalities such as fractures or abnormalities within the lungs," Dr. Matzinger said.**

**In the coming months while the equipment is installed, staff will receive training, with completion of the upgrade expected in July.**

**In the interim, PRH has been provided with portable equipment so that there will be no work flow interruptions.**

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